110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1897

To protect the second amendment rights of individuals to carry firearms in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 17, 2007

Mr. Paul introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To protect the second amendment rights of individuals to carry firearms in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "National Park Second
- 5 Amendment Restoration and Personal Protection Act of
- 6 2007".
- 7 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 8 Congress finds that—

- 1 (1) the second amendment to the Constitution 2 provides that "the right of the people to keep and 3 bear Arms, shall not be infringed";
- 4 (2) section 2.4(a)(1) of title 36, Code of Fed-5 eral Regulations, provides that "except as otherwise 6 provided in this section and parts 7 (special regula-7 tions) and 13 (Alaska regulations), the following are 8 prohibited: (i) Possessing a weapon, trap or net (ii) 9 Carrying a weapon, trap or net (iii) Using a weapon, 10 trap or net";
 - (3) the regulations described in paragraph (2) prevent individuals complying with Federal and State laws from exercising the second amendment rights of the individuals while at units of the National Park System;
 - (4) the existence of different laws relating to the transportation and possession of firearms at different units of the National Park System entraps law-abiding gun owners while at units of the National Park System; and
 - (5) the Federal laws should make it clear that the second amendment rights of an individual at a unit of the National Park System should not be infringed.

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

1 SEC. 3. FIREARMS IN UNITS OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYS-

- 2 **TEM.**
- 3 No Federal regulation shall restrict any individual
- 4 from possessing or carrying a firearm if that restriction
- 5 is based in whole or in part upon the fact that the indi-
- 6 vidual is in a unit of the National Park System.

 \bigcirc